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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Most Idaho hospitals are subject to both IDAPA "Rules and Minimum Standards for Hospitals in Idaho," and federal guidelines under the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, (CMS). CMS requires hospitals to meet regulatory "Conditions of Participation" in order to be accredited to accept Medicare patients. In most areas, these CMS guidelines are more restrictive and hold hospitals to a higher standard than Idaho's IDAPA rules. However, there are some exceptions that result in regulatory inconsistency and confusion among providers.

This legislation amends Idaho Title 39, Chapter 13, Section 39-1307, to state that any IDAPA rules in this chapter that are more restrictive than the federal guidelines shall not apply to hospitals that are certified by CMS through accreditation, survey or otherwise.

FISCAL NOTE

This bill will not require funding from the general funding since most hospitals are already accredited by CMS.

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